### MAJOR BERKELEY TELLS OF TAKING VERA CRUZ

His Marines Were First of American Forces to Land on Mexican Soil. Men Cool Under Fire.



Writing from Vera Cruz under date May 6, Major Randolph C. Beckeley,

not shot up while in the boats. We did not encounter any opposition until we had advanced up the Calle Montesenos about two blocks on our way to take the roundhouse.

We then deployed across the head of about four streets and vigorously responded to their fire. In my command, the First Battalion of the Second Advance Base Regiment, I had three companies of 169 men each, which command I still have.

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"For two weeks since they have behaved just as well, and we are very proud of them. After the two days' fighting, my battalion moved to the outposts position, covering the northwest section of the city, and about two miles out from the city. We are living in an old warehouse, with part or the command, and in bex cars with the rest, on the road to Mexico, if we ever get started.

"The bluejackats, lacking the infantry training of our men had a number of men shot, though, of course, they all fought bravely and did splendid work."

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## WILLIAMSBURG

(Special to The Times Dispatch.)
Williamsburg, Va., May 23.—Mrs. Charles
Bartlett, of Newport News, is visiting her
brother, N. L. Henley and Mrs. Henley.
Mrs. B. D. Peachy, who has been in a
Richmond hospital for several days, returned home yesterday much improved in
health.
Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Davis and Mrs. J. E.
Kennedy were Norfolk visitors the first of

Mrs. Edmund Ruffin, of Weyanoke, has been visiting her mather. Mrs. Elizabeth Harrison, the past week.

The Misses Alyffe Watson and Mahegan, of Richmond, were week-end guests of Miss Martha Spencer.

John Pitman spent the first of the week with friends in Norfolk.

H. G. Spencer, Sr., of Waynesboro, has returned home after a short visit to relatives here.

tives here.
Robert Ware Galt. United States Navy, retired, was in Richmond this week in attendance upon the meeting of Scottish Rite

Masons.
Judge and Mrs. D. G. Tyler, who have been spending the winter in Williamsburg, will soon return to Sherwood Forest, their country home in Charles City, for the sum-

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The Rev. and Mrs. H. P. Dalton, who left here a few days ugo for Boykins, are well fixed in their new home. Mr. Dalton having been called to the Baptist Church at that place. He was the pastor of the Williams burg Baptist Church the past year.

Miss Alnsley, of Atlanta, Ga., and Miss Jenkins, of Suffolk, Va., are guests at the Colonial Inn.

Peachy Spencer, of Washington, is here to spend a few days with his father, J. B. C. Spencer.

Mrs. J. T. Christian, who has been spending several weeks with relatives at the Plains, has returned home.

Eugene Decker, of New York, formerly a realdent of this section, spent a couple of days with Captain E. W. Maynard, at Biglers, this week, leaving yesterday for the North.

Mrs. I. G. Tyler, who went to Gloucester for a rest, has much improved in health. She is the guest of Mrs. Tabb.

COULTH PORTON

# SOUTH BOSTON

ling, Mrs. E. C. James; recitation, Mies Mary Clawson; instrumental golo, Miss Mary Clawson; instrumental golo, Miss Mary Calder, of Richmond; Miss Marguerite Lee playing the accompaniment.

Miss Annie Faulkner spent a few days in Williamsburg with friends during the week.

Mrs. W. B. Carper and little son are visiting relatives at Clifton Forge.

Mrs. Charles T. Yancey, who has been spending the winter with relatives in Tennessee, returned home on Monday.

Miss Mary Leathers, of Durham, N. C., is the guest of Mrs. E. C. Garrard, en Washington Street.

The laiffax County Pair will take place.

Miss A. Valentine in the bome of Mrs. A. A. Cox during her stay here last week.

Mrs. C. M. Walker is on a visit to relatives in Oxford, N. C.

Mrs. J. A. Spencer has returned from a visit to her sister in South Carolina.

The open-air performances give 3 by the Frank Lee Short Company this week at the Normal School were well attended and daughter, Miss Miss Mary Leathers, of Durham, N. C., is the guest of Mrs. E. C. Garrard, en Washington Street.

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The Haifax County Fair will take place October 2: to 24, inclusive. Quite an elaborate program is being arranged, and some noted speakers are being booked for the occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. George Marable and child, after a visit to relatives here, returned to Cincinnati this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Barksdale, of Richmond, spent a few day, here and at Houston during the week.

Mrs. Francts M. Shloott, of Philadelphia, arrived on Friday to spend some time with her parents, Mr and Mrs. P. H. Yancey, on Broad Street.

The Turbeville High School commencement exercises were held in the auditorium of the handsome building at Turbeville, on Wednesday evening, the baces havened sermon having been delivered at the Presbyterian Church on the Sunday previous. There were several graduates, and the exercises proved most enjoyable. White and plak Killarney roacs and American Heauties were very much in evidence. The school has been under the skilfull direction of Professor W. G. Irvin for several years.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Lee, of Durham,

# BLACKSBURG

of May 6, Major Randolph C. Beckeley, commanding the First Battallon of the Second Regiment Advance Base, United States Marines, tells a relative of the capture of Vera Cruz by the marines and bluejackets and of the street tighting. Major Berkeley's regiment, from the transport Prairie, was the first to get to shore, and Major Berkeley and Major Berkeley was the first man of the invading party to set foot on Mexican soil.

He expresses surprise that the boats handed without being fired upon, and commends the marines for their bravery, declaring that they were as cool under fire as they were on the rifle ranges. One man was killed and six wounded in Major Berkeley's battallon, and all of the wounded are recovering. The part of the letter relating to the fight at Vera Cruz is as follows:

"Your letter, with newspaper excerps enclosed, came to-day. I am surprised to hear of my prominence in the Virginia eye. It never entered my mind, when coming ashore, as to whether I should be the first to land: I was only surprised that we were not shot up while in the boats. We did not encounter any opposition until we had advanced up the Calle Monteson.

### HOT SPRINGS

Reid commanded a battallon composed of two ships, guards and a company of Butlers' battallon, Butler not having arrived until late that night. Melville commanded the regiment composed of these two battalions. I had one man killed and six wounded in my battallon, and all of my wounded are getting well. Most of these casualties took place at the head of the Callo Cinco de Majo, when we faced the masonry barracks of the Ninteenth Infantry Regiment (Mexico). In a little while we had loopholed a concrete wall, behind which we placed our riftenen and machine guns, covering different streets, and after that we never had a man touched. I could have advanced on the roundhouse, but received orders to clear the streets and housetops, and Reid was sent around my rear to the roundhouse.

"The second day we cleared out the town by advancing through the houses and over the housetops, while my machine guns held the streets running north and south. We did a good job, without the loss of a man. Our men were as gool and collect under fire as on the target range.

"Lying down at the heads of the streets, before they had any cover, they worked in pairs, giving each other the ranges, and picking their targets. We expended about thirty rounds of ammunition per man, including machine gun firing, in two days of fighting. Only once did I see more than and the control of the ranges, and picking their targets.

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## FARMVILLE

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Farmville, Va., May 22—Another senior recital was given by Mrs. Lotta Chapell-Hamlet at the Conservatory of Music last week. The program was a very interesting one and was rendered in a most artistic manner.

manner.

Mrs. W. H. Mottley has returned from the Johnson-Willis Sanatorium in Richmond, and is very much improved.

J. C. Hamlett was a recent visitor to the blue grass section of the State.

Mrs. Thompson is on a visit to her son,

J. Taylor Thompson.

Miss Hattie Paulett has returned home after a pleasant visit to relatives in Washington. She was accompanied by her little nephew. Master Creyke, Jr.

A delightful reception was tendered Mrs.

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South Boston. Va., May 23—Quite an enjoyable entertainment was given at the Baptist Church on Friday evening, refreshments being served after the program had been rendered. Each person entering the door, was required to deposit the number of pennies as years they were old. The program was as follows: violin sole.

V. E. Hawthorne, with Mr. Bronk at the plane; reading, Mrs. T. C. Wright, vecal sole, Mrs. Florence Irby, piano accompaniment by Mrs. W. J. Barbour; piano and vocal sole, little Miss Dorothy Lee; read-

tery much chlored by all who were privi-leged to see them.

The annual May queen and May pole dance were observed on the Normal school campus on Monday. Little Miss Eliks An-derson was crowned Queen of May and Master Dabney Garman conferred the honor. The costumes were varied and artistic and the scene a most attractive one.

### **BOWLING GREEN**

| Special to The Bowling Green, Va., May | B

### WINCHESTER

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In the sector. Va., May 23.—Miss Neilie Duy, whose marriage to J. B. Beverley, Jr., to be solemnized in Christ Church here June II, and Mrs. H. F. Hyrd and Mrs. A. Haker have returned from Bultimore, and Mrs. Williams D. In the filends.

A. Haker have returned from Bultimore, to be solemnized in Christ Church here June II, and Mrs. H. F. Hyrd and Mrs. Williams D. In the filends. The Holmes Contrad and her daughters, sees Carter and Augusta Conrad, of Wington, Boyco, Va., part of the week. In and Mrs. Clay Hodgson, of Little River, and are stiting Mrs. and Mrs. Clay Hodgson, of Little River, in. are visiting the former's sister, Mrs. Hism R. Williams R. Williams A. Williams R. William Special to The Times Dispatch 1

# MANASSAS

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] massas, Va., May 22.—Mrs. Guy Clem. ushington, is the guest of Mrs. W. A. at her home in Manassas, and Mrs. C. M. Gilbert, of Thorough-Va., were the guest of friends in town messiay. if. U. Roop, of Eastern College, will the commencement address to the class of The Plains High School, and Mrs. J. F. T. Palmer at her hear Manassas this week.

Solina Smith, of Brooklyn, N. V. is est of her sister, Mrs. T. O. Taylor, students of Manassas High School an entertainment this week for the of the athlete association. An ingen feature was a debate between the team and one chosen from the alumnition.

e. C. J. Sharpe returned to her home kesville this week after spending three visiting in Washington, Philadelphia ow York. Aubine Harries, of Washington, is the of former friends at Eastern College. Nicols, of Washington, was the guest daughter, Miss Clara Nicols, for the end. end,
twood Hutchison, eashier of the NaHank, and G. Raymond Rateliffe, of
People's Bank, attended a meeting of
res in Richmond this week,
and Mrs. Richard Jefferles, of WashAdvand days here with friends

### GORDONSVILLE

loe and daughter, Miss Hester, after a visit

A. J. Parrish, of Richmond, was a visitor

vo. Miss Agnes L. Beckman left on Tuesday to nend a few weeks with her friend, Mrs. Miss Agnes L. Beckman left on Tuesday to spend a few weeks with her friend, Mrs. C. H. Leckey, in Baltimore.
Mrs. Louis Block and daughter. Miss Rosa, left a few days ago for a two weeks' tielt to relatives and friends in Baltimore.
Rev. Taylor Wills, of Northumberland County, has been spending the week with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. John Wills, near town.
Miss Mary Newman, of near Grange, was the guest this week of her aunt, Mrs. A. B. Martin.

o Orange.

Mrs. W. P. Martin, of Richmond, has been spending the week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Martin, in South Gordonsville.

M. M. Goodwin, of New Haven, Conn., spent several days this week with his parents, Captain and Mrs. P. M. Goodwin, in the city, M. C. Hill was in Richmond this week on business.

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President Eggleston has accepted the invitation of Dr. Julian A. Burrus to address the graduating class at the Harrisonburg Normal at noon on Tuesday, June 9.

Thomas J. Whitehead, of Amherst. Va., won the motorcycle offered as a premium by a tobacco company to the most popular cadet. Mr. Whitehead received over 2,000,000 votes, his nearest competitor being E. R. Wall, of Radford. A certain number of votes were allowed on box fronts of various brands of cigarettes in the contest.

J. F. Powell, of Hampton, has been elected captain of the basketball team for next season, and F. L. Hill, of Lexington, N. C., manager; T. Whitehead, of Amherst, captain of the 1914 football team; C. A. Cutchins, of Franklin, Va., Manager; F. W. Bruce, of Chester, Va., captain of baseball team; W. E. Nelson, of Columbia, Va., manager; Armstrong Chinn, of Norfolk, captain of track team; C. W. Heffin, of Broad Run, Va., manager.

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ments.
J. T. Brown, Joseph Turner and J. B.
Watkins, of the executive committee
of the board of visitors, met here on
Wednesday and opened bids for the
erection of the new shop buildings. D.
O. Mathews, the superintendent of
buildings and grounds at the V. P. I.,
was given the contract, his estimates
being several thousand dollars lower
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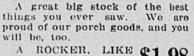
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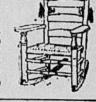
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